School Education dept to hand out feedback diaries to students

Kolkata: The state School Education department has decided to hand out diaries to students, where they will narrate their learning experience in the classrooms. The idea is to have an evaluation of how effectively teachers carry out classroom teaching. The diaries will be reaching the students by the month of January next year. They will have 100 pages each, in which there will be syllabuses for all the subjects. The students, after the end of every class, will write about what was taught in the class and whether he/she had understood the matter that was taught.

This will give the department an idea about what exactly had been taught in a particular class. The teacher will have to sign the diaries after class.

"The idea is to make the guardians aware of what is being taught in the class and whether his/her ward has understood the same or not," said a senior official of the state School Education department.

Welcoming the move of the department, headmaster of Taki Boys School Paresh Mondal said: "It will help the Education department keep a record of the attendance of the teachers, as well as the students in class. The department will also be able to know whether a teacher of a particular subject has completed the syllabus."

There have been allegations on the part of a section of teachers that they give more importance to private tuitions than classroom teaching. "The move will curb such tendencies among the teachers," the official added.

The diaries will also have mention of the contact number of the state Education department, on which a student or a parent can call if there is some problem associated with classroom teaching. The diaries will also contain the learning outcome that the department wants from the teachers in class.